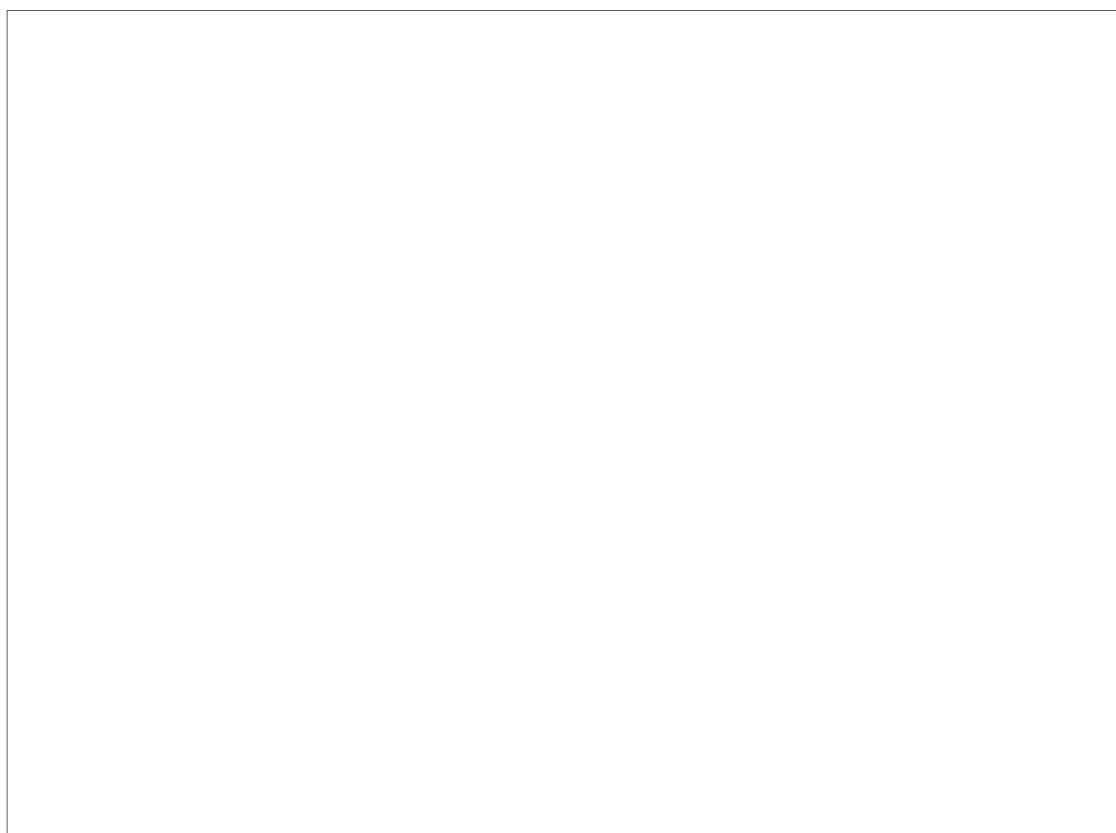




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CARTOGRAPHY RECEIVES TWO BLUE RIBBON AWARDS

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Cartography Division has again distinguished itself in map design competition. Our cartographers were awarded two blue ribbons in the 1980 design competition sponsored by the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping (ACSM). Only four other blue ribbons were awarded from approximately 100 entries entered by the best mapmakers from academic, private and governmental institutions. Designers [redacted]

[redacted] won for their China (Pinyin edition) map and [redacted] won for their South Africa (Summary) map. Those who printed these maps are also to be commended, particularly [redacted] who worked closely with the cartographers.

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The ACSM map design competition is an annual event open to all U.S. and Canadian cartographers. In the 1979 competition, Cartography won a blue ribbon

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award for maps which appeared in the CIA's *Polar Region Atlas*. A street map of Central Kiev and the black and white maps prepared for the Presidential Study Commission of Global 2000 won honorable mentions.

Congratulations to our fine mapmakers and printers.

JOHN WALLER RECEIVES NATIONAL CIVIL SERVICE LEAGUE AWARD

On Thursday, 20 March, John H. Waller was awarded the National Civil Service League Award in recognition of his distinguished 35-year career as an intelligence officer. As the Agency's Inspector General from July 1976 until his retirement in January 1980, Mr. Waller ably assisted and helped guide this Agency through a very difficult period. His dedication and firm leadership have helped us all to maintain the high standards of the Agency and the integrity of our intelligence-gathering efforts. Mr. Waller's 35 years as a professional intelligence officer were marked with singular contributions to the national security. His devotion to the Agency, his wise counsel and his concern for Agency people have endeared him to all of us. I join you in wishing him a most happy and rewarding retirement.

CHARTERS

You are seeing a good deal in the media these days regarding Congressional consideration of the Charter for the Intelligence Community. The passage of a comprehensive Charter is of great importance to our Agency and to our profession. We are supporting the concept of Charters fully.

I would like to make several points about my position on Charters because it is sometimes misrepresented in the media. I have no concern about sharing information with the Congress as such. Our oversight committees are no less trustworthy than our own organization or other elements of the national security apparatus in the Executive Branch. Nonetheless, the established rule of security in intelligence matters is that of "need to know." This makes it impossible to share intelligence information on highly sensitive activities and programs with anyone who absolutely does not need to have the information, whether in Congress or the Executive Branch.

We have always complied with current law regarding the notification of Congress about covert actions. In nearly every instance we have given the Congress notification of covert actions prior to their inception, but we do not wish to be bound to prior notification as a matter of law. Personally, I have grave doubts about the constitutionality of requiring the President to give the Congress prior notification of covert actions in all cases.

A point which has frequently been obscured is that what we are urging upon the Congress is a Charter which enacts into law the procedures and practices which have governed our operations for at least the last three years. We are pleased and proud of the way in which our cooperation with the Congress in its oversight role has evolved over these recent years. We want to continue this cooperative relationship in the same manner under the legislative Charter. Since I believe that the two intelligence committees are also well pleased with the support we have provided to them, I feel confident that we can work out the differences between us on the issues of prior notification of covert actions and legislative oversight. It is important to all of us that we do this.

TREATING ALCOHOLISM

Alcoholism is a treatable disease. Although it continues to be one of the least understood problems affecting CIA employee performance, the word about our new Alcohol Program is getting around, and that is making a difference. More individuals who recognize their increasing dependence on alcohol are seeking help before their work begins to be affected. More supervisors realize that to refer a subordinate to the Program for help is not a betrayal of that individual, but a demonstration of genuine care for that person's well being and future in the Agency.

[] our full-time alcohol counselor, has designed a program which is tailor-made to fit the needs of Agency employees and their families. It provides confidential counselling and referral services in the Headquarter's area, employee education, and supervisor training. The program is now being expanded to provide these same services outside the Headquarters and overseas.

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The Alcohol Program is "pro-people." It is designed to help the individual lick a difficult but treatable disease. Anyone who has the backbone and courage to face up to a personal problem deserves the encouragement, support, and admiration of us all. I hope all Agency employees will care enough to support this program and encourage its use. Only by doing so will we preserve our most valuable resource—people.

For information—in confidence—call []

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